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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program  
2 serves as the foundation of America's national nutrition safety  
3 net. It is the nation's first line of defense against hunger  
4 and offers a powerful tool to improve nutrition among low-income  
5 people. The University of Hawaii community colleges and the  
6 department of human services have collaborated to leverage their  
7 resources and strengths to enroll Hawaii's Supplemental  
8 Nutrition Assistance Program benefit recipients in college and  
9 career training programs. The University of Hawaii community  
10 colleges and the department of human services have customized  
11 policies and processes to codify an innovative inter-agency  
12 program, the Hawaii nutrition employment and training program,  
13 designed to recruit and support Hawaii's Supplemental Nutrition  
14 Assistance Program recipients through over two hundred fifty  
15 college and career programs.

16           The Hawaii nutrition employment and training program is  
17 offered to students who receive or are eligible to receive



1 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits. The Hawaii  
2 nutrition employment and training program offers benefits in  
3 addition to a student's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance  
4 Program benefits, including reimbursement for gas, books,  
5 supplies and uniforms. The students participating in the Hawaii  
6 nutrition employment and training program are exempt from the  
7 twenty hours per week work requirements and considered compliant  
8 with Hawaii's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program  
9 requirements.

10 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the  
11 Hawaii nutrition employment and training program.

12 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$520,000 or so much  
14 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the  
15 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
16 2020-2021 for the Hawaii nutrition employment and training  
17 program, to include materials and supplies, and the hiring of  
18 eight full-time equivalent (8.0 FTE) administrative,  
19 professional, and technical position.

20 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University  
21 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act; provided that the



1 University of Hawaii shall comply with all federal and state  
2 requirements; provided further that the reimbursements shall be  
3 used to expand the Hawaii nutrition employment and training  
4 program.

5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.



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S.D. 1

**Report Title:**

Human Services; Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program;  
University of Hawaii; Hawaii Nutrition Employment and Training  
Program; Appropriation

**Description:**

Appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii for the Hawaii  
nutrition employment and training program. (SD1)

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